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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Tania Barthel et al.

Applic. No. : 09/716,898

Filed : November 20, 2000

Title : Method and Apparatus for Initiating a
Telecommunications Service

Examiner : Thjuan P Knowlin

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S i r :

Responsive to the Office action dated April 11, 2003 kindly
reconsider the above-identified application in view of the
following remarks:

Remarks:

Claims 1-12 remain in the application.

In item 2 on page 2 of the Office action, claims 1-6 and 11-12
have been rejected as being anticipated by Redd, Jr. et al.